

Proclamation

On August 1, 2002, Herman Frazier became the Athletic Director for the University of Hawai'i and has since been embraced as an integral part of our island 'ohana.

Herman Frazier acquired a deep understanding of the athletic process during his time as an elite athlete and through 23 years of working in the athletic department of his alma mater, Arizona State University.

As an active participant with the NCAA today, Herman serves as a peer review team member. He formerly served as a member of the NCAA Certification Committee and NCAA Track and Field Rules Committee.

Herman won the gold and bronze medals in the 1976 Olympic Games in Montreal and has served as one of three vice presidents of the U.S. Olympic Committee since being elected to that organization in 1996. His work with the Olympics, first as an athlete and later as an administrator, speaks to his high level of dedication and strong sense of purpose.

In addition to his Olympic medals, Herman has received a litany of honors, including a Lifetime Achievement Award from Arizona State University and the NCAA Silver Anniversary Award, which recognizes former student-athletes who have led distinguished careers. He has also been named as one of the "101 Most Influential Minorities in Sports" by Sports Illustrated and one of the "100 Most Influential Student-Athletes" by the NCAA.

Under his leadership, athletic programs at the University of Hawai'i have seen positive changes, including an increase in budget, more solid coaching base, and improvements to the facilities.

The State of Hawai'i takes pride in the accomplishments of the university's intercollegiate athletics program, and under Herman Frazier's direction, the athletic department has experienced great success. Recent athletic highlights include the impressive performances of the Rainbow men and women's volleyball teams, the coed sailing team's 4th place finish at the PCIYRA Dinghy Championship, the baseball team's trip to the NCAA tournament, the men's basketball team's seventh straight winning season, the softball team's WAC championship runner up placement, and the football team's record setting season last year. Recent academic highlights include 33 student-athletes earning Academic All-WAC Honors and 14 being named as scholar-athletes on Academic All-MPSF Teams, both of which require a 3.0 GPA in at least one year of academic work and participation in at least half of the team's matches.

We are proud of Herman's leadership of the University of Hawai'i Athletic Programs and his commitment to the student-athletes. Leading by his example, he teaches our student-athletes to compete with the highest level of sportsmanship, learn with dedication and enthusiasm, and contribute to the community as productive and well-rounded citizens.

THEREFORE, I, LINDA LINGLE, Governor of the State of Hawai'i, and I, JAMES R. "DUKE" AIONA, JR., Lieutenant Governor, do hereby proclaim July 6, 2006, as

HERMAN FRAZIER DAY

in Hawai'i, and thank him for his service as an outstanding role model and mentor for our young athletes.

Done at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this third day of July 2006.

Linda Lingle

Governor, State of Hawai'i

James R. "Duke" Aiona, Ir.

Lieutenant Governor, State of Hawai'i